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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

A final office action on the merits, dated March 2, 2004, has been received by Applicant's representative in connection with the subject application. However, apparently through oversight, no citation of prior art (PTO-892), nor copies of the newly cited references, accompanied the office action. Since, apparently, the Wyant '685, Snowden, Smith '881, and Snider et al. '328 references were found by the Examiner in a supplemental search, and since he did not identify these references sufficiently to permit Applicant to independently obtain the references, Applicant cannot proceed to respond absent a supplemental office action which includes a citation of all prior art references.

Applicant thus respectfully requests that the PTO issue a supplemental office action which cites the prior art found by the Examiner, together with a supplemental form PTO-849. Applicant further respectfully requests that the period for response be re-set to coincide with the mailing date of the supplemental office action.

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Applicant notes that this is the second time such an error has occurred during the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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